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## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please enter a new Paragraph between the heading “BEST MODE FOR IMPLEMENTING THE INVENTION” and Paragraph [0048] in the substitute specification as follows.

The following abbreviations are used throughout the figures to more easily identify various features of the present invention which are discussed in detail below.

VPEN-TIP: Penpoint of video pen

VPEN-FRM: Penholder of video pen

VPEN: Video pen

TIP-SW: Switch embedded in penpoint of video pen

POINT-PREF-BTN: Button to activate function for the preference setting for user-favorite manner of pointing

STD-PTN: Standard pattern to be used in the preference setting for user-favorite manner of pointing

MIN-DIST: Minimum distance between penpoint of video pen and object

PTN-DIC: Pattern dictionary in which patterns to be recognized are registered

PROC-TAB: Process table

PROC-COUNT: Process item number region

PROC-TAB-ELM: Process designation item

TIP-FIELD: State region for holding penpoint number

PROC-FIELD: Process designation region

ACT-COUNT: Operation item number region

ACT-TAB-ELM: Operation designation item

PTN-ID2: Object pattern identification region

ACT-FIELD: Operation region

ACT-TAB: Operation table

IP-AREA: Process step displaying region

MSG-AREA: Message displaying region

PB-AREA: Pattern buffer region

Please replace Paragraph [0106] spanning pages 24 and 25 of the substitute specification as follows.

[0050] Fig. 2 shows one example of the structure of the video pen 103. A penholder 201 portion is gripped by the user. A penpoint switch 104 is mounted on the tip end of the penholder 201. The tip end of the penpoint switch 104 has bar-shaped configuration. When the user points to an object using the video pen 103, the bar is pushed into the penholder 201 to turn ON an electrical contact. On the penholder 201, the camera 101 is mounted so as to pick-up an image of the area around the tip end of the video pen 103. The camera is mounted on the penholder 103\_201 by a camera holding member 202. The camera 101 is mounted at a position where it is able to vertically look down on a portion around the tip end as much as possible when the user holds the video pen in a typical manner of holding a pen. As the camera 101, a commercially available compact video camera may be

used. The compact video camera employing a 1/4 inch image pick-up element has a circular cross-section less than or equal to 1 cm in diameter and a length of about several cm. On the other hand, the penholder 201 has a circular bar-shaped cross-section about 1 cm in diameter similar to a typical-pen.

Please replace Paragraph [0106] spanning pages 24 and 25 of the substitute specification as follows.

[0106] The operation table (shown in Fig. 32 as ACT-TAB) consists of an operation item number region (ACT-COUNT) holding an item number included therein and more than or equal to 0 of operation designation item (ACT-TAB-ELM). The operation designation item consists of the object number region (PTN-ID2) holding the object identification number and the operation region (ACT-FIELD) holding the operation to be executed upon detection of the object.